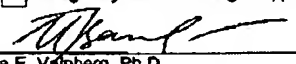


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket No. 00342/100H395-US1	
Application No. 10/005,469		Filing Date November 7, 2001		Examiner B. Q. Li	
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Applicant(s): Vadim Bichko et al.					
Invention: HEPATITIS C VIRUS CONSTRUCTS CHARACTERIZED BY HIGH EFFICIENCY REPLICATION					
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
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